(b) if so, what are the reasons for depriving them of the same?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENTS OF EDUCATION AND CULTURE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI L. P. SHAHI): (a) Yes, Sir. The benefit of Fundamental rule 22-C is available to an employee whenever he is promoted from a lower post to a higher post.

(b) Does not arise.

National Perspective Plan for Women

3291. KUMARI SUSHILA TIRIA:

SHRIMATI SUDHA VIJAY JOSHI:

Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to refer to the answer to Unstarred Question 961 given in the Rajya Sabha on the 3rd August, 1988 and state:

(a) whether a meeting on the National Perspective Plan for women 1988—2000 was held in New Delhi recently;

(b) if so, what are the details of the steps proposed for the welfare of women for providing them more opportunities for participation in development activities during the above period and funds earmarked the welfare programmes;

(c) whether a proposal for reserving seats for women in Parliament, State Assemblies and other local bodies was endorsed by the representatives of a number of women's organisations; and

(d) if so, what action has been taken or proposed to be taken by Government to implement those suggestions?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENTS OF YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS AND WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI MARGARET ALVA): (a) The National Perspective Plan was recently discussed in the meeting of the Consultative Committee of Parliament held on 26-10-88 the Committee gave its formal endorsement of the Plan.

(b) The Perspective Plan lays emphasis on perceiving women in a holistic manner as also on inter-ministerial coordination and decentralisation of the machinery charged with implementation of the various schemes and programmes to benefit women. The recommendations have been made under the following heads:

(i) Rural Development & Agriture

(ii) Employment & Training

(iii) Supportive Services, Fuel, Fodder, Water, Creches/Day Care; Housing

(iv) Education

(v) Health and Family Welfare.

(vi) Legislation

(vii) Political participation and decision making.

(viii) Media & communication.

(ix) Voluntary action.

The Plan does not seek more investments or more resources. It seeks to give a new thrust and responsiveness to developmental programmes at all levels, and recommends certain special interventions for women as measures to ensure that they catch up with the mainstream by 2000 A.D.

(c) and (d) The National Perspective Plan recommends reservation of 30 per cent seats from panchayat to zila parishad level and local municipal bodies for women. At the Parliament and State Assembly level, it

has recommended that political parties should ensure that 30 per cent of the candidates are women. Representatives of women's organisations have endorsed the recommendations.

Establishing of Vishwa Hindi Vidyapeeth

3292. SHRI KAILASH PATI MISHRA:
SHRI ATAL BIHARI VAJPAYEE:

Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to refer to answer to Unstarred Question 1981 given in the Rajya Sabha on the 10th August, 1988 and state:

(a) what are the main features of the draft bill prepared by the sub-committee constituted by the Ministry of Human Resource Development for the setting up of the Vishwa Hindi Vidyapeeth especially to facilitate the study of Hindi by foreign students;

(b) what progress has been made in this regard, so far; and

(c) what is the time-schedule of the establishment of the Vidyapeeth?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENTS OF EDUCATION AND CULTURE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI L. P. SHAHI): (a) to (c) The draft bill for setting up the Vishva Hindi Vidyapeeth was prepared by a Sub-Committee constituted by the Ministry in pursuance of a decision taken in the meeting of the Karyakarini Upa Samiti of Hindi Shiksha Samiti held on 15-9-1983. The draft bill is largely modelled on the pattern of regular Universities. It provides for functionaries like Kuladhyaksha, Kuladhipati Kulapati; Kulasachiva and bodies like the Sabha, the Prabandha Samiti, Vidya Parishad, Artha Samiti etc It is envisaged that the Vidyapeeth could have jurisdiction extending to institutions within India and throughout the World. The comments of the Chairman, U.G.C. received in this regard, were discussed in the last meeting of the Sub-Committee held on 17.8.88. The draft bill will be further reviewed in the light of these deliberations after studying all the related aspects.

National Commission on self-employed women and women in the Informal Sector

3293. SHRI ATAL BIHARI VAJPAYEE:
SHRI KAILASH PATI MISHRA:

Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to refer to answer to Unstarred Question 183 given in the Rajya Sabha on the 27th July, 1988 and state:

(a) when the recommendations of the National Commission on self-employed women and women in the Informal Sector were received by Government; and

(b) what follow-up action has been taken by Government so far?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENTS OF YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS AND WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI MARGARET ALVA): (a) In July, 1988.

(b) Action has been initiated to refer the recommendations relating to different Ministries/Departments etc., for obtaining comments in the first instance.

Indo-Pak relations

3294. SHRI CHITTA BASU: Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) what steps have been taken by Government to solve the disputes bet-